has approved a Group Workshed Scheme, which has Xth Plan provision of Rs. 19.27 crore to provide for subsidy for construction of worksheds limited to 25% of the unit cost of construction subject to maximum of Rs. 80/- per sq. ft. In order to improve other related infrastructure the scheme envisages a link with the Textile Centre Infrastructure Development Scheme (TCIDS) which provides central assistance for improving critical infrastructure in existing or emerging textile centres.

(c) There is no specific scheme to provide marketing infrastructure.

Non Disbursement of Loans under TUFS

2542. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that financial institutions have stopped disbursing loans to textile units under Technology Upgradation Fund scheme due to Government's failure to release funds to meet the interest subsidy cost;

(b) whether it is also a fact that due to non-increase in the budgetary support to the Ministry, it has not been able to have any alternative system to run TUF Scheme;

(c) the budgetary support received for this in the Tenth Plan period; and

(d) the total number of applications received in the Ministry for funding under the technology upgradation fund scheme from various States; State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASAN GOUDA R. PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. Since the inception of the Scheme releases made by Government to the Nodal Agencies has been increasing as follows:—

Year	Releases made to the Nodal Agencies (in Rs. crore)
1999-2000	1
2000-2001	70
2001-2002	199
2002-2003	203

For the current year there is a budgetary provision of Rs. 250 crore.

(c) For the Tenth Plan period there is a budgetary provision of Rs. 1270 crore under TUFS.

(d) As on June 30, 2003, the number of applications received statewise under TUFS is as follows:

State/Union Territory	No. of Application	State/Union Territory	No. of Application
Andhra Pradesh	42	Madhya Pradesh	14
Chandigarh	2	Maharashtra	186
Dadra Nagar Haveli	34	Nagaland	1
Daman & Diu	11	Orissa	1
Delhi	36	Punjab	298
Gujarat	470	Rajasthan	205
Haryana	133	Tamilnadu	653
Himachal Pradesh	7	Uttar Pradesh	38
Karnataka	79	West Bengal	130
Kerala	10	TOTAL:	2250

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED AND UNSTARRED QUESTIONS SET FOR THE 8TH AUGUST, 2003

Joint Venture of KIOCL

*281. SHRI MURLI DEORA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the products currently being manufactured by a Joint Venture Company floated by Kudermukh Iron Ore Company Limited (KIOCL) alongwith two other public sector undertakings in June, 1995;

(b) the contribution to equity made by KIOCL to Joint Venture Co. and the reasons for non-allotment of shares;

*The sitting of the Rajya Sabha on Friday, the 8th August, 2003 was adjourned.

Answers to questions put down in the list for that day were laid on the Table of the house on wednesday, the 13th August, 2003.